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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WEINER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Egyptian Counterter-  
5       rorism and Political Reform Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON UNITED STATES MILITARY AS-**  
2 **SISTANCE FOR EGYPT.**

3 (a) PROHIBITION.—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
4 sion of law, for fiscal year 2010 and subsequent fiscal  
5 years, United States military assistance may not be pro-  
6 vided for Egypt.

7 (b) WAIVER.—The President may waive the applica-  
8 tion of subsection (a) for a fiscal year if the President  
9 determines and certifies to Congress that it is in the na-  
10 tional security interests of the United States to do so.

11 **SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

12 It is the sense of Congress that—

13 (1) the amount of United States military assist-  
14 ance that would have been provided for Egypt for a  
15 fiscal year but for the application of section 2(a)  
16 should be provided for Egypt for such fiscal year in  
17 the form of economic support fund assistance under  
18 chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act  
19 of 1961 and further that such assistance should be  
20 in addition to economic support fund assistance al-  
21 ready proposed to be provided for Egypt for such  
22 fiscal year;

23 (2) funds for economic support fund assistance  
24 for Egypt should not be used by the Armed Forces  
25 of Egypt;

1           (3) 30 days prior to the initial obligation of  
2 funds for economic support fund assistance for  
3 Egypt for a fiscal year, the President should certify  
4 to Congress that procedures have been established to  
5 ensure that the Comptroller General will have access  
6 to appropriate United States financial information in  
7 order to review the uses of such funds; and

8           (4) the agreement among the United States,  
9 Egypt, and Israel to decrease the overall amount of  
10 United States foreign assistance for both countries  
11 should continue.

12 **SEC. 4. DEFINITION.**

13       In this Act, the term “United States military assist-  
14 ance” means—

15           (1) assistance for nonproliferation, anti-ter-  
16 rorism, demining and related programs and activi-  
17 ties, including assistance under chapter 8 of part II  
18 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (relating to  
19 anti-terrorism assistance) and assistance under  
20 chapter 9 of part II of such Act, section 504 of the  
21 FREEDOM Support Act, section 23 of the Arms  
22 Export Control Act, or the Foreign Assistance Act  
23 of 1961 for demining activities, the clearance of  
24 unexploded ordnance, the destruction of small arms,  
25 and related activities;

1           (2) assistance under section 541 of the Foreign  
2       Assistance Act of 1961 (relating to international  
3       military education and training); and

4           (3) assistance under section 23 of the Arms Ex-  
5       port Control Act (relating to the “Foreign Military  
6       Financing” program).

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